

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: THOMAS, E. et al.  
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**RULE 132 DECLARATION OF RALPH MORRISON**

I, Ralph Morrison, an employee of Siemens Water Technologies Corp. of Bradley IL, declare as follows:

1. In one of the capacities in which I serve Siemens Water Technologies Corp., I review and approve of invention disclosures for inventions made by others employed by, or under contract to, Siemens Water Technologies Corp., which inventions are then to be protected by pursuing patent rights.

2. I am personally familiar with the invention described and claimed in the present patent application which I have personally reviewed; and I have met with the inventors, Edward Thomas and Joe DeMarco, and one of their peers, Mike Radel, on at least one occasion while they were still employees of the predecessor to Siemens Water Technologies Corp., USFilter/Stranco Products. The inventors and Mr. Radel are no longer employed by Siemens Water Technologies Corp.

3. I had at least one conversation in 2002 with the inventors regarding an invention which they described to me and is now described and claimed in the present patent application.

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4. I had at least one conversation in 2002, after September 11, 2002, with Mr. Radel and a third party, evidenced by the Memo attached hereto as an Exhibit.

5. As may be understood from the specifications, goals and technical descriptions contained in the Memo, the inventors had fully conceived of the invention as described and claimed in the present patent application by the time of the meeting and conversation with Mr. Radel and the third party.

6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued therefrom.

Date: 5-25-07

  
Ralph Morrison